

CHAPTER IV.—RADIOTELEGRAPHY AND RADIOTELEPHONY

PART A.—APPLICATION AND DEFINITIONS

Regulation 1

Application

(a) Unless expressly provided otherwise, this Chapter applies to all ships to which the present Convention applies.

(b) No provision in this Chapter shall prevent the use by a ship or survival craft in distress of any means at its disposal to attract attention, make known its position and obtain help.

Regulation 2

Definitions

For the purpose of this Chapter, unless expressly provided otherwise—

(a) “Radio Regulations” means the General Radiocommunication Regulations annexed to the International Telecommunication Convention (Madrid, 1932) or any regulations which have been, or which from time to time in the future may be, substituted for such regulations.

(b) “Alarm Signal” means the automatic alarm signal prescribed by the Radio Regulations for radiotelegraphy.

(c) “Auto Alarm” means an automatic alarm receiver which responds to the alarm signal and has been approved.

(d) “Distress frequencies” means the distress frequencies designated for radiotelegraphy and radiotelephony respectively by the Radio Regulations.*

(e) “Distress Signal” means a distress signal prescribed by the Radio Regulations.

(f) “Qualified Operator” means a person holding an appropriate certificate complying with the provisions of the Radio Regulations.

(g) An existing installation is one already installed on board a ship at the time the present Convention comes into force.

(h) A new installation is an installation which replaces an existing installation or one installed on a ship after the date on which the present Convention comes into force.

Regulation 3

Radiotelegraph Installation

Passenger ships irrespective of size and cargo ships of 1,600 tons gross tonnage and upwards, unless exempted under Regulation 5, shall be fitted with a radiotelegraph installation complying with the provisions of Regulations 9 and 10.

* NOTE.—The frequencies prescribed at the present time are 500 kc/s (Radiotelegraphy) and, when the Radio Regulations annexed to the International Telecommunication Convention (Atlantic City, 1947) come into force, 2,182 kc/s (Radiotelephony).